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ARMY ORDERS, 1917.

WAR OFFICE,
1st April, 1917.

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ARMY ORDERS.

Army Orders Nos. 107 to 116 have been published during the month of March, 1917.

Published on the 10th March, 1917.

48 I.—Subscription to War Loan by Deduction from A.O. 107.
Gen. No. Pay of Officers.—With reference to paragraph (5) of 1917.
3768 Army Order 81 of 1917 (Army Order III of 10th February, 1917), it is notified that an officer ceasing to draw pay, pension, or retired pay from Army Funds before his subscription is complete, may complete the subscription by cash payments payable on the dates on which the deduction from his pay, pension, or retired pay, if issuable, would have been made. An officer may, in the foregoing circumstances, pay all the outstanding instalments at once, but he will derive no special advantage by so doing.

Payment for these cash subscriptions will be made to the War Office, Accounts 5 (by cheque payable to the Assistant Financial Secretary). Should the payment not be made on the date when it is due, the subscription will lapse and the amounts which have been subscribed up to date will be refunded.

Published on the 14th March, 1917.

II.—Grants to Officers by the Military Service (Civil Liabilities) Committee.

48 1. The attention of junior officers of the Army is A.O. 108.
Gen. No. directed to the conditions under which grants from 1917.
3778 public funds may be given to meet certain financial obligations.

2. The general conditions governing these grants are shown in the Appendix to this Army Order.

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A.O. 108 3. Copies of the form of application referred to in
1917 the Appendix, may be obtained from the Army Agents,
continued. or from—

The Military Service (Civil Liabilities) Committee,
Imperial House,
Kingsway,
London, W.C.

4. Grants will be made for a limited time, and officers will be required, if serving at home, to furnish periodical declarations as to means on a form which will be provided for the purpose. In the case of officers serving abroad, the declaration may be made by the defendant or other person authorized to act on the officer's behalf.

APPENDIX.

1. Grants may be made to officers, whether married or unmarried, who—

- (a) At the date of their application rank for pay as Captain, Lieutenant, or 2nd Lieutenant, and
- (b) Were ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom before joining the Forces, and
- (c) Are unable by reason of their military service to meet their financial obligations, as hereafter described, and are thereby exposed to serious hardship.

2. The obligations in respect of which grants may be made are those arising in the United Kingdom in respect of—

- (a) Rent.
- (b) Interest and instalments payable in respect of loans, including mortgages.
- (c) Instalments payable under agreements for the purchase of business premises, a dwelling house, furniture and the like.
- (d) Taxes.
- (e) Rates.
- (f) Insurance premiums.
- (g) School fees.
- (h) Maintenance of children.

3. Assistance will not be granted for the discharge of ordinary debts.

4. Every original application for a grant must be made on a form obtainable as stated in the Army Order. If the officer is serving in the United Kingdom, the application must be made by the officer himself. If not so serving, the application may be made by any person who is authorized by the officer to act on his behalf. The application form when completed will be forwarded in accordance with the directions on the form to the District Commissioner concerned, representing the Military Service (Civil Liabilities) Committee.

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5. Any applicant may be required by the Commissioner— A.O. 108
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(a) To appear before him and to give to him any further information regarding the application, or to produce receipts or other documents in support of the statements made in the application.
(b) To supply in writing such further information as the Commissioner may require in regard to the application, or to send for the inspection of the Commissioner receipts or other documents in support of the statements made in the application.
(c) To furnish a sworn declaration in support of any statement made in, or in connection with, the application.

6. The Commissioner after considering the application will report to the Military Service (Civil Liabilities) Committee, by whom the award will be made.

7. Any grant awarded by the Committee may be made payable to such persons, in such manner and upon such dates as the Committee may determine.

8. Grants will be incapable of assignment, and any attempt to assign charge or dispose of any grant will render it liable to forfeiture.

9. Grants will not be made in respect to any period after the grantee has ceased to belong to His Majesty's Forces—provided that, in the event of his being notified as dead or missing, the grant may be continued for such period as the Committee may think fit, and any payment so made may be recovered from any gratuity or pension granted from public funds to his widow or other dependants.

III.—Separation Allowance Regulations— A.O. 109.
Amendments. 1917.

I.—Increased Rates for Children under 14.

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1774 1. In consequence of the increased rates for children, promulgated by Royal Warrant of 23rd January, 1917 (A.O. 55 of 1917), the following will be substituted for paragraph 4 of the Separation Allowance Regulations, 1916 :—

4. The following tables give the standard weekly rates for the wives and children of soldiers of the British Establishment :— A.O. 109.
1917.

NOTE 1.—These rates came into force from 15th January, 1917 ; a table of the rates in force at different times during the war is given in Appendix II.

NOTE 2.—Classes 15 to 20 in the tables are as defined in paragraph 1 of the Allowance Regulations. It may here be stated for convenience that the typical ranks are classified as follows :—

Warrant Officer, Class I (Regimental Serjeant-Major)	...	Class 15
Warrant Officer, Class II (Company Serjeant-Major, &c.)	...	16
Company Quartermaster-Serjeant	...	17
Serjeant	...	19
Corporals and privates	...	20

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Class of soldier. (See Note 2 above.)	15.	16.	17 & 18.	19.	20.
Allotment ...	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
	5 10	5 10	5 10	5 10	3 6

(a)—For families not in public quarters, where there are no children over 14 years of age.

	Separation allowance.	Total, including allotment.								
For—	s. d.	s. d.								
Wife only ...	17 2	23 0	16 2	22 0	10 8	16 6	9 2	15 0	9 0	12 6
" and 1 child ...	22 2	28 0	21 2	27 0	16 2	22 0	16 2	22 0	16 0	19 6
" " 2 children	25 8	31 6	21 8	30 6	21 2	27 0	21 2	27 0	21 0	24 6
" " 3 "	27 8	33 6	26 8	32 6	24 8	30 6	24 8	30 6	24 6	28 0
" " 4 "	29 8	35 6	28 8	31 6	27 8	33 6	27 8	33 6	27 6	31 0
" " 5 "	31 8	37 6	30 8	36 6	30 8	36 6	30 8	36 6	30 6	34 0
" " 6 "	33 8	39 6	33 8	39 6	33 8	39 6	33 8	39 6	33 6	37 0
" " 7 "	36 8	42 6	36 8	42 6	36 8	42 6	36 8	42 6	36 6	40 0

And so on, with 3s. for each additional child under 14.

(aa)—For children over 14 (other than motherless children).

Where there are no children under 14 :—

5s. for 1 child, 8s. 6d. for 2 children, and 2s. for each additional child over 14.

Where there is one child under 14 :—

3s. 6d. for 1 child, and 2s. for each additional child over 14.

Where there are two or more children under 14 :—

2s. for each child over 14.

(b)—For families remaining in public quarters.

An appropriate deduction for lodging, fuel and light from the rates of separation allowance shown above is made at the following weekly rates :—

Wife, with or without children }	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
	14 0 ...	13 0 ...	7 6 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...	6 0 ...

(c)—For motherless children.

Under 14.—For any child living singly 7s. Where two or more children of the same family live together, 7s. for the first and 6s. for each other child.

Over 14.—For each child 5s.

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2. In the heading of Section 4 of Appendix II., after A.O. 109 "From 1st March, 1915," add "to 14th January, 1917." 1917
3. As the increased rates apply only to children *continued* of the soldier who have not attained the age of 14, the following amendments will be made in Section IV. of the Regulations :—

In line 6, sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph 68, and in line 4 of paragraph 71, after "children" insert "over the age of 14".

II.—Cessation of Payment.

4. Insert new paragraph—

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1789 127A. When a book of forms is recalled on forfeiture of allowance through desertion of the soldier or misconduct of the payee, the paymaster will write the word "Forfeiture" (in red ink) on Army Form W. 3022, so that the reason for recall may be noted by the postmaster.

5. At the end of sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph 19, sub-paragraph (ii) (b) of paragraph 20 and the second line of paragraph 79, insert "+" and footnote—

+ See paragraph 127A.

III.—Transferred Payments.

6. At the end of paragraph 129, add—

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1034 "When the casualty involves cessation of payment, the new paymaster will recall the book and the identity certificate, and return them, duly cancelled, to the original paymaster".

IV.—Overpayments.

7. Paragraph 141 is *cancelled*, and the following substituted—

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1704 141. Separate instructions have been issued to Paymasters and Secretaries of Territorial Force Associations as to the method of dealing with overpayments.

V.—Advances by War Pensions Statutory Committee.

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1734 8. It has been decided that where recovery of advances by a local War Pensions Committee is effected by means of stoppages from weekly payments, the paymaster shall refund the whole sum due to the Committee as soon as the stoppages begin, instead of holding over repayment until the whole sum has been recovered, as hitherto laid down in paragraph 144 (g).

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A.O. 109 9. It has also been decided that the rule regarding retention of arrears for 7 days after the date on which *continued*, the weekly payments of separation allowance commence, shall only apply in cases where advances have been reported before that date. When no advance has been made since the soldier's enlistment, it is unlikely that an advance will be made during the last few days before the completion of the claim; if, however, Army Form W. 3020 is received after arrears have been paid, recovery will, of course, be effected from weekly payments.

10. The following amendments will be made in paragraph 144—

In line 1 of sub-paragraph (d), for "Payment" substitute—

A.O. 109. "In cases where an advance has been reported to
1917. the paymaster, payment".

In line 3 of sub-paragraph (g), for "when the whole sum has been recovered" substitute—

A.O. 109. "when the sum has been noted for recovery, and
1917. an amended book of allowance forms issued".

In sub-paragraph (h), delete from "refund" (in line 4) to the end of the sub-paragraph and substitute—

A.O. 109. "note the unrecovered amount for inclusion in the
1917. list of such losses, to be rendered quarterly to the War Office."

(Further instructions will shortly be issued as to the procedure in applying for these amounts to be written off.)

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11. In paragraph 121, line 2, before "payment" insert "in cases where an advance has been reported"

Erratum.—In paragraph 78, line 2 of sub-paragraph (e), for "(see page 114)" read "(see paragraph 114)".

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Published on the 17th March, 1917.

IV.—King's Regulations—Amendment.—For para- A.O. 110.
graph 592, as amended by Army Order 31 of 1917, 1917.
substitute—

110 592. When a G.C.M. is held at home the proceedings are to be transmitted by the judge advocate direct to the G.O.C.-in-C. who convened the court, and the latter will forward them, together with his recommendation and remarks, to the judge advocate-general. If the sentence awarded is one which requires to be confirmed by His Majesty the King, the judge advocate-general will transmit the proceedings to the Secretary of State for War for confirmation by His Majesty. If the sentence awarded is one which does not require confirmation by His Majesty, the judge advocate-general will, after review, return the proceedings to the G.O.C.-in-C. for confirmation or such action as may be necessary, and, after completion, the G.O.C.-in-C. will forward the proceedings to the War Office.

If a G.C.M. is held elsewhere, the proceedings will be forwarded to the officer having power to confirm the findings and sentences of G.Cs.M., who, if from any cause he has no power to confirm the finding and sentence of that particular court martial, will forward the same to the judge advocate-general for transmission to the Secretary of State for War for confirmation by His Majesty.

V.—Manual of Military Law—Amendment.—A.O. 111.
Note 2 to Rule of Procedure 97. For the first sub-para-
graph, as amended by Army Order 33 of 1917,
substitute—

110 2. When a G.C.M. is held at home the proceedings are to be transmitted by the judge advocate direct to the G.O.C.-in-C. who convened the court, and the latter will forward them, together with his recommendation and remarks, to the judge advocate-general. If the sentence awarded is one which requires to be confirmed by His Majesty the King, the judge advocate-general will transmit the proceedings to the Secretary of State for War for confirmation by His Majesty. If the sentence awarded is one which does not require confirmation by His Majesty, the judge advocate-general will, after review, return the proceedings to the

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A.O. 111 G.O.C.-in-C. for confirmation or such action as may be
1917 necessary, and, after completion, the G.O.C.-in-C. will
continued. forward the proceedings to the War Office.

If a G.C.M. is held elsewhere, the proceedings will be forwarded to the officer having power to confirm the findings and sentences of G.Cs.M., who, if from any cause he has no power to confirm the finding and sentence of that particular court martial, will forward the same to the judge advocate-general for transmission to the Secretary of State for War for confirmation by His Majesty.

Published on the 19th March, 1917.

A.O. 112. VI.—Division of Army Pay Office, Hounslow.—1. It
1917. has been decided to divide the office of the Regimental
Paymaster, Hounslow, into two branches :—

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Eastern
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Army Pay Office, No. 1,
Hounslow.

Army Pay Office, No. 2,
Hounslow.

2. The former will deal with the accounts, &c.
(including Territorial Force Infantry), of the—

Royal Fusiliers,
Middlesex Regiment,
5th, 7th, 23rd and 24th Training Reserve
Brigades.

3. The latter will deal with the accounts, &c.
(including Territorial Force Infantry) of the—

Royal West Surrey Regiment,
East Kent Regiment,
East Surrey Regiment,
Royal Sussex Regiment,
Royal West Kent Regiment,
Army Cyclist Corps,
Royal Military School of Music,
Command Depôt, Eastern Command,
School of Cookery, and
Enteric Depôt.

4. The change will have effect from the 24th February,
1917, the commencement of the March, 1917, account
period.

5. The officer in charge of each office should be
addressed as the Regimental Paymaster.

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90 VII.—Division of Army Pay Office, Preston.—1. It A.O. 113.
has been decided to divide the office of the Regimental
Paymaster, Preston, into two branches—

Army Pay Office No. 1,
Empire Rooms,
Ireston.

Army Pay Office No. 2,
Fulwood Barracks,
Ireston.

2. The former will deal with the accounts, &c. (including Territorial Force Infantry) of the—

Liverpool Regiment,
Border Regiment, and
Manchester Regiment.

3. The latter will deal with the accounts, &c. (including Territorial Force Infantry) of the—

Royal Lancaster Regiment,
Lancashire Fusiliers,
East Lancashire Regiment,
Loyal North Lancashire Regiment,
11th, 16th and 17th Training Reserve Brigades.

4. The change will take effect as from 24th February, 1917, the commencement of the March, 1917, account period.

5. The officer in charge of each office should be addressed as the Regimental Paymaster.

Published on the 24th March, 1917.

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VIII.—Emblem to be worn on the riband of the A.O. 114.
“Victoria Cross” in undress and service dress.— 1917.
With reference to Army Order 290 of 1916, His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve of a miniature replica of the Victoria Cross being worn on the riband in undress and service dress uniform by all recipients of this decoration.

The award of a bar to the original decoration will be marked by the addition of a second miniature cross on the riband, an additional cross being added for each bar awarded.

The above-quoted Army Order will be amended accordingly.

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A.O. 114 Indents for emblems for issue to officers and soldiers
1917 who have been awarded the Victoria Cross and who are
continued, now serving may be submitted to the Deputy Director
of Ordnance Stores, Woolwich, quoting the *London
Gazette* or the Army Order in which the award was
made.

A.O. 115. IX.—Division of the Army Pay Office,
1917. Shrewsbury.—1. From 31st March, 1917, inclusive, 16
and until further orders, the Army Pay Office, Western
Shrewsbury, will be divided into two branches—
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Army Pay Office, No. 1,
The Priory,
Shrewsbury.

Army Pay Office, No. 2,
The Music Hall,
Shrewsbury.

2. The former will deal with the accounts, &c.
(including Territorial Force Infantry), of the—

Royal Welsh Fusiliers,
South Wales Borderers,
Welsh Regiment, and
13th and 14th Training Reserve Brigades.

3. The latter will deal with the accounts, &c.
(including Territorial Force Infantry), of the—

Cheshire Regiment,
South Lancashire Regiment,
King's Shropshire Light Infantry, and
16th and 17th Officer Cadet Battalions.

4. The officer in charge of each office should be
addressed as the Regimental Paymaster.

Published on the 25th March, 1917.

A.O. 116. X.—Division of the Army Pay Office, Hounslow.—
1917. With a view to removing any doubt which may exist as to the Paymaster dealing with the accounts of the Territorial battalions of the Royal Fusiliers, the 16
Eastern
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following will be substituted for paragraph 2 of A.O. 116
Army Order VI. of 19th March, 1917 :—
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2. The former will deal with the accounts, &c. *continued*.
(including Territorial Force infantry except in the case
of the Territorial Force battalions of the Royal
Fusiliers which remain in the payment of the Command
Paymaster, London District), of the—

Royal Fusiliers.
Middlesex Regiment.
5th, 7th, 23rd and 24th Training Reserve Brigades.

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FOR THE FIRST TIME.

ROYAL WARRANTS.

A.O. 117. Pay and Allowances of Yeomanry Regiments
1917. on an Infantry basis.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to amend the 9
conditions for the issue of pay and allowances to the Yeomanry.
Yeomanry of Our Territorial Force ; 558

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is that the terms of Our
Warrant of 26th September, 1916, shall also apply as
regards pay and allowances to yeomanry officers and
soldiers serving with Territorial Force Infantry
battalions formed from the personnel of Yeomanry
units.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 7th
day of March, 1917, in the 7th year of
Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

Food and Drink to be furnished in Billets.

GEORGE R.I.

A.O. 118. WHEREAS WE deem it expedient under the powers 53
1917. given to Us by the Second Schedule to the Army Act to Gen. No.
fix the quantities of food and drink to be furnished to 7306
soldiers when accommodated in billets ;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is that when the keeper
of a victualling house or the occupier of a public
building, dwelling house or other premises, is required
to furnish meals for a soldier billeted on him, such
meals shall consist of the following quantities of food
and drink :—

- (a.) For breakfast.—Five ounces of bread, one pint
of tea with milk and sugar, four ounces of
bacon.
- (b.) For hot dinner.—Twelve ounces of meat
previous to being dressed, four ounces of
bread, eight ounces of potatoes or other
vegetables.

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(c.) For supper.—Five ounces of bread, one pint of tea with milk and sugar, two ounces of cheese. A.O. 118
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continued.

It shall be permissible to vary the description of food and drink by substituting such equivalents as shall be authorized by the responsible officer.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 28th day of March, 1917, in the 7th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

Working Pay.

GEORGE R.I.

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Misc.
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WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to amend the regulations governing the issue of working pay as laid down in Our Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army, dated 1st December, 1914;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that issues of working pay under Article 845 of Our aforesaid Warrant shall be subject to the conditions laid down in Article 966, and that the following additions shall accordingly be made to Article 845 :—

“The conditions of Article 966 in regard to stoppages and reductions shall apply to working pay granted under this Article.”

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OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE IS that the provisions of Article 950 of Our Warrant of the 1st December, 1914, providing for the issue of working pay in respect of overtime to armament artificers of Our Army Ordnance Corps, shall be suspended from the 10th April, 1917 (inclusive), until Our Further Will and Pleasure is made known.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 31st day of March, 1917, in the 7th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

DERBY.

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INSTRUCTIONS, REGULATIONS, &c.

A.O. 120. Victoria Cross—1. His Majesty the King has been 012
1917. graciously pleased to approve of the award of the 2653
Victoria Cross to the undermentioned officer and non-
commissioned officer :—

Captain Henry William Murray, D.S.O., Australian
Infantry.

For most conspicuous bravery when in command of the right flank company in attack. He led his company to the assault with great skill and courage, and the position was quickly captured. Fighting of a very severe nature followed, and three heavy counter-attacks were beaten back, these successes being due to Captain Murray's wonderful work.

Throughout the night his company suffered heavy casualties through concentrated enemy shell fire, and on one occasion gave ground for a short way. This gallant officer rallied his command and saved the situation by sheer valour.

He made his presence felt throughout the line, encouraging his men, heading bombing parties, leading bayonet charges, and carrying wounded to places of safety.

His magnificent example inspired his men throughout.

No. 9887 Serjeant Edward John Mott, Border
Regiment.

For most conspicuous gallantry and initiative when, in an attack, the company to which he belonged was held up at a strong point by machine-gun fire.

Although severely wounded in the eye, Serjeant Mott made a rush for the gun, and after a fierce struggle seized the gunner and took him prisoner, capturing the gun.

It was due to the dash and initiative of this non-commissioned officer that the left flank attack succeeded.

*The foregoing appeared in the London Gazette, dated
10th March, 1917.*

2. His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased 0137
to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the 3441
undermentioned officer and non-commissioned officers

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of the 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers, in recognition of A.O. 120
most conspicuous bravery displayed:—1917

Captain (temporary Major) Cuthbert Bromley *continued.*
(since drowned).

No. 1506 Serjeant Frank Edward Stubbs (since
died of wounds).

No. 2609 Corporal (now Serjeant) John Grimshaw.

On the 25th April, 1915, headquarters and three companies of the 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers in effecting a landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula to the west of Cape Helles were met by very deadly fire from hidden machine guns, which caused a great number of casualties. The survivors, however, rushed up to and cut the wire entanglements, notwithstanding the terrific fire from the enemy, and after overcoming supreme difficulties the cliffs were gained and the position maintained.

Amongst the many very gallant officers and men engaged in this most hazardous undertaking, Captain Bromley, Serjeant Stubbs, and Corporal Grimshaw have been selected by their comrades as having performed the most signal acts of bravery and devotion to duty.

The above awards of the Victoria Cross are to be read in conjunction with those conferred on the undermentioned for most conspicuous bravery on the same occasion :—

Captain Richard Raymond Willis, 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers.

No. 1293 Serjeant Alfred Richards, 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers.

No. 1809 Private William Keneally, 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers.

See *London Gazette*, dated 24th August, 1915.

NOTE.—Consequent on the award of the Victoria Cross the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to No. 2609 Serjeant John Grimshaw, 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers, which was published in the *London Gazette*, dated 16th November, 1915, is hereby cancelled.

The foregoing appeared in the *London Gazette*, dated 15th March, 1917.

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<u>121.</u>	<u>Foreign Decorations.</u> —A list of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 9th March, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.	<u>0137</u> <u>3441</u>
<u>122.</u>	<u>Distinguished Conduct Medal.</u> —Lists of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 3rd and 12th March, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.	<u>0137</u> <u>3444</u> .
<u>123.</u>	<u>Military Medal.</u> —A list of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 12th March, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.	<u>0137</u> <u>3495</u>
<u>124.</u>	<u>Meritorious Service Medal.</u> —1. The following have been awarded the annuity and medal for "Meritorious Service":— Battery-Sergeant-Major T. Cowell, late Permanent Staff, 1st Aberdeen Volunteer Artillery, Southern Division, Royal Artillery. Colour-Sergeant G. Tyson, late 1st Ba. 14th Foot. Quartermaster-Sergeant G. Wynne, late 2nd Dragoon Guards. 2. A list of awards which were announced in the <i>London Gazette</i> , dated 12th March, 1917, will shortly be issued to all concerned.	<u>68</u> <u>Gen. No.</u> <u>2969A</u> <u>0137</u> <u>3495</u>
<u>125.</u>	<u>Long Service and Good Conduct Medal—Regular Forces.</u> —A list of warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Regular Forces, to whom silver medals for long service and good conduct have been awarded, will shortly be issued to all concerned.	<u>68</u> <u>Gen. No.</u> <u>2908</u>
<u>126.</u>	<u>Long Service and Good Conduct Medal—Special Reserve.</u> —The following have been awarded the Special Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal :— No. 558, Sergeant D. Matchett, North Irish Horse. No. 97, Squadron-Sergeant-Major C. D. Trimble, North Irish Horse. No. 555, Squadron-Quartermaster-Sergeant J. M. Wherry, North Irish Horse. No. 70, Sergeant R. A. Wylie, North Irish Horse. No. 74, Corporal S. J. Wylie, North Irish Horse. No. 9601, Squadron-Sergeant-Major J. W. Bayliss, South Irish Horse. No. 637, Corporal J. Connolly, South Irish Horse. No. 770, Squadron-Quartermaster-Sergeant P. Cox, South Irish Horse. No. 51, Squadron-Quartermaster-Sergeant W. Neill, South Irish Horse	<u>68</u> <u>Reserve</u> <u>150</u>

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- No. 93, Serjeant J. Ryan, South Irish Horse. A.O. 126
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 No. 250, Shoeing-smith Corporal W. H. Fairbrother, 1st King's Edward's Horse.
 No. 28, Farrier-Quartermaster-Serjeant S. Fuller, 1st King Edward's Horse. *continued.*
 No. 47, Farrier-Serjeant E. A. Fuller, 1st King Edward's Horse.
 No. 280, Serjeant-Trumpeter L. Harrington, 1st King Edward's Horse.
 No. 30, Squadron-Quartermaster-Serjeant D. H. Jacobs 1 King Edward's Horse. -
 No. S/6221, Private A. Walker, East Kent Regiment.
 No. 4907, Serjeant W. Carney, Lincolnshire Regiment.
 No. 2096, Private H. Fowler, Inniskilling Fusiliers.
 No. 4/1727, Serjeant J. McKeown, Inniskilling Fusiliers.
 No. 3/6507, Serjeant M. Maclean, Seaforth Highlanders.
 No. 3/3371, Serjeant J. Baxter, Gordon Highlanders.
 No. 3/3462, Serjeant A. Merrilees, Gordon Highlanders.
 No. 3/3130, Serjeant J. Pithie, Gordon Highlanders.

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Volunteer Corps.—With reference to paragraph 3 of Army Order 206 of 1916, it is notified that His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to accept further offers of service of persons desiring to be formed into the Volunteer Corps enumerated in the following Schedule :—

SCHEDULE.

County.	Title of Corps.
Anglesey ...	1st Bn. Anglesey Volunteer Regt.
Denbighshire ...	Denbighshire Motor Volunteer Corps.
Essex ...	Essex Motor Volunteer Corps.
Glamorganshire ...	Glamorganshire Motor Volunteer Corps.
Inverness-shire* ...	1st Bn. Northern Counties Highland Volunteer Regt.
Kincardineshire ...	1st Bn. Kincardineshire Volunteer Regt.
Lancashire ...	Lancashire Motor Volunteer Corps.
Leicestershire ...	Leicestershire Motor Volunteer Corps.
Lincolnshire ...	4th Bn. Lincolnshire Volunteer Regt.
London ...	County of London Volunteer Engineers. Motor Volunteer Corps.
City of London ...	City of London Motor Volunteer Corps.
Middlesex ...	Middlesex Motor Volunteer Corps.
Montgomeryshire	1st Bn. Montgomeryshire Volunteer Regt.
Northumberland ...	3rd Bn. Northumberland Volunteer Regt. 4th " " " " 5th " " " "
Westmorland ...	1st Bn. Westmorland Volunteer Regt. "

* The recruiting area of the 1st Bn. Northern Counties Highland Volunteer Regiment includes the counties of Nairn and Ross and Cromarty, as well as Inverness.

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A.O. 128. Recognition of Cadet Units.—The following additional cadet units have been reported as recognized by Territorial Force Associations:—

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Territorial Force Association.	Cadet unit.	Territorial Force unit to which affiliated.	Date of recognition by Association.
Chester ...	Congleton Cadet Corps.	7th Bn. The Cheshire Regt.	1917. 24th Feb.
Dumfries ...	Dumfries Academy Cadet Corps.	5th (Dumfries and Galloway) Bn. The King's Own Scottish Borderers.	8th Mar.
Sussex ...	St. George's Cadet Corps, Eastbourne.	1st Home Counties Field Company, Royal Engineers.	1916. 16th Nov.
Warwick ...	The Warwickshire Cadet Signal Company.	Southern Signal Company, Royal Engineers.	1917. 19th Feb.

NOTES.—The Ilford County High School Cadet Company and the Bancrofts' School Cadet Company have been recognized as additional companies of the 5th (Schools) Cadet Battalion, Essex Regiment.

2. The St. Patrick's (Leeds) Company, Catholic Boys' Brigade, recognized in Army Order 257 of 1914, was disbanded on 12th July, 1916.

3. The Padstow Cadet Company, which was notified in Army Order 229 of 1916 as being in abeyance during the war, has been reinstated.

4. The recognized Cadet Battalions of the Church Lads' Brigade are affiliated to the King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Recognition of Voluntary Aid Detachments.—
A further list of detachments, which have been registered at the War Office, is printed as an Appendix to this Order.

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Powers during the present War in relation A.O. 180,
to Losses, &c., connected with the Overissue of 1917.
Separation Allowance.—1. With reference to Army Order 52 of 1915, it has been decided to modify the procedure for writing-off overissues of separation allowance (including allotments of pay) so as to relieve General Officers Commanding of the task of investigating over payments which are trivial in amount, and which are not due to serious error or negligence on the part of any individual.

2. General instructions as to the method of dealing with recoveries, &c., in respect of overpayments have been issued to Regimental Paymasters by War Office letter 46/1704 (Accounts 2), dated 10th February, 1917, and to Territorial Force Associations by War Office letter 46/1704 (Accounts 3), dated 13th February, 1917 (see paragraph 141, Separation Allowance Regulations, as amended by Army Order 109 of 1917).

3. For writes-off of overissues the future procedure will be as indicated in the following amendments which will be made in the Separation Allowance Regulations, 1916 :—

(1) *For paragraph 143 substitute—*

143. Overpayments which are not recoverable from the payee under the instructions referred to in paragraph 141 will (except as provided in paragraphs 143A and 143B) be dealt with as follows :— A.O. 180.
1917.

(i) Regimental Paymasters will report the case on Army Form W 3576 to the Local Auditor. If the amount does not exceed 30*l.*, and the Local Auditor is satisfied that the degree of error or negligence on the part of any individual officer or clerk is not such as to call for investigation by the General Officer Commanding, or the Army Council, he will (as representing the War Office) authorize the charge against the public.

(ii) Territorial Force Associations will report the case on Army Form W 3576 to the Local Auditor, who will deal with it as above. When the Local Auditor authorizes an overpayment by a Territorial Force Association to be written off, he will adjust the classification on Army Form N 1500.

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A.O. 130. (iii) Overpayments by Regimental Paymasters which
1917 are not written off by the Local Auditor
continued. under (i) will be submitted through the usual
channel to the General Officer i/c Administration,
who will deal with them in accordance
with Army Order 52 of 1915.

(iv) Overpayments by Territorial Force Associations
which are not written off by the Local Auditor
under (ii), will be submitted by the Local
Auditor to the Army Council.

(2) *Insert* the following paragraphs.—

A.O. 130. 143A. Cases in which the overpayment of separation
1917. allowance appears to be due to fraud on the part of the
recipient will at once be reported to the War Office, in
order that the question of initiating legal proceedings
may be considered.

143B. Separate quarterly lists of the losses referred
to in paragraph 144 (h) will be rendered to the Local
Auditor, who will report to the War Office each quarter
the amount written off under this paragraph.

(3) At the end of paragraph 144 (h), as amended by
Army Order 109 of 1917, for "War Office" substitute
"Local Auditor (see paragraph 143B)".

4. A supply of Army Form W 3576 will shortly be
distributed to Regimental Paymasters and Secretaries
of Territorial Force Associations.

A.O. 131. Distinctions in Dress for Officers of Intelligence Corps at Home and Abroad.—Army Order 92
1917. of 1916 will be amended as follows:— 55
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Paragraph 4, last 2 lines. For "Officers employed
under the General Staff on Intelligence Duties at
Home" substitute—

A.O. 131. "Officers of the Intelligence Corps at Home and
1917. in the Field."

A.O. 132. King's Regulations—Amendments.—1. For para-
1917. graph 1480 substitute— Forms
W/3292

A.O. 132. 1480. When packages, &c., are received which cannot
1917. be opened at the time of delivery, the carrier's sheet
or book should be signed "Received: contents not
examined." Special attention should be called to any
packages which appear to be externally damaged or

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show signs of having been tampered with. The A.O. 132 packages, &c., should be opened at the earliest possible opportunity after receipt, and should any deficiencies or breakages, not due to faulty packing, be then discovered, the consignee should immediately inform the railway company or carrier delivering the goods, and should also notify the A.S.C. transport officer of the sub-district. This officer will communicate with the A.S.C. transport officer of the consignor's sub-district (or in cases in which that officer is not concerned, with the consignor), who will take the matter up with the forwarding railway company, recovering in due course the value of any goods short delivered or the cost of making good any damages.

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Gen. No. 2. In paragraph 1919 (v), line 2, after "lance stripe,"
2360 insert "or acting rank,"

Allowance Regulations — Amendments. — After A.O. 133.
paragraph 663 insert— 1917.

5. Chaplains and Acting Chaplains.

Clergy 663A. Chaplains and acting chaplains who devote A.O. 133
Gen. No. their whole time to their duties with the troops are 1917.
4602 entitled to draw contingent allowance in respect of actual and necessary expenses for the provision of communion wine, washing of linen, &c.

663B. In the case of chaplains of each denomination except Roman Catholic the amount actually expended should be claimed quarterly on Army Form O 1623 from the command paymaster of the command in which the chaplain concerned is stationed, received bills for the amount being furnished.

663C. Roman Catholic chaplains are entitled to draw contingent allowance from their command paymaster at the fixed rate of 30s. per quarter. Bills are not necessary in their case in order to claim this allowance.

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Irish 151 Railway arrangements for Travelling and Trans- A.O. 134.
port in Ireland whilst the Railways of Ireland are 1917.
under Government Control.—1. With reference to Army Orders 395 of 1914, 215 of 1916 and 7 of 1917, it is notified for information that the arrangements which are in operation on the controlled railways in Great Britain in regard to the free conveyance of War Office

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A.O. 134 traffic will also apply, as from the 1st January, 1917, 1917 on the controlled railways in Ireland, and no direct *continued*. cash payments will be made to the Irish Railway Companies in respect of Army warrants or carriers' notes issued for journeys on and from that date.

A.O. 135. **Regulations for Civilian Subordinates—Amend-** 93
1917. **ment.—Appendix VII., notes (d) (i), page 59.** In lines 1568
1 and 5, for "the greater part" substitute "a half or more," and after "work," in line 6, add "and a contribution is not payable for any week in which a man is employed for more than half his time in uninsured work."

A.O. 136. **National Health Insurance.—Paragraphs 2 I. (c), 93**
1917. **2 I. (f) and 2 II. (c) of Army Order 332 of 1915 are 1795**
cancelled.

A.O. 136. **1917.** The procedure to be followed in regard to future pay office adjustments of National Health Insurance contributions of insured soldiers has been communicated to paymasters by separate instructions.

The following procedure should be carried out by company commanders in the preparation of the pay and mess book. In form 2, from the total of the column headed "Total cash payments, stoppages and bills," the total of the column headed "Health Insurance Contributions" should be deducted and the net amount only should be carried into form 3. No entries in respect of insurance should be made on either side of form 3.

A.O. 137. **Field Artillery Training, 1914.—The following 40**
1917. **amendments will be made:—** W.O.
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Page 206, Section 131. *For paragraph 2 substitute—*

A.O. 137. **1917.** "2. The "Reconnaissance Officer" is the officer who accompanies the Battery Commander in his reconnaissance.

The "Battery Leader" is the officer who is in voice or signal command of the guns, either in action or on the march.

The Reconnaissance Officer may become the Battery Leader at any moment, or *vice versa*."

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Page 298, Section 193. *For lines 5 and 6 substitute— A.O. 137*

"The battery is led into action by the battery ¹⁹¹⁷ leader, who gives the order 'ACTION FRONT.' *continued,* Each gun is then halted by order of the No who is responsible for his gun platform'.

Page 321, Section 201. *For paragraph 5 substitute—*

"5. In sending orders or the result of observations by signal, the following abbreviations will be used :— A.O. 137. ^{1917.}

Add or raise	...	...	...	...	PL
Aiming point	...	...	...	...	AP
Air	...	...	...	...	AR
Air high	...	...	...	...	ARH
*All available batteries to open fire	...	...	...	...	LL
All guns	...	...	...	...	ALL
*Am returning to ground...	...	...	...	...	CI
Angle	...	...	...	...	ANG
Angle of sight	...	...	...	...	AS
Anti-aircraft guns	...	...	...	...	AA
Are you firing	...	...	...	...	RUF
*Are you receiving my signals	...	...	...	...	B
*Are you ready to fire	...	...	...	...	KQ
Artillery	...	...	...	...	ART
Battery	...	...	...	...	BY
Battery fire	...	...	...	...	BF
Both guns	...	...	...	...	BOTH
Cavalry	...	...	...	...	CAV
Centre	...	...	...	...	C
*Change to (or section)	...	...	...	...	X
Collective ranging (or *Column)	...	...	...	...	COL
Commence firing	...	...	...	...	FIRE
Common shell	...	...	...	...	CS
Concentrate	...	...	...	...	CON
Continue firing in your own time (or go on)	...	...	...	...	GO
Core only or first...	...	...	...	...	CORE
Core and one ring	...	...	...	...	COOR
Core and two rings	...	...	...	...	COTR
Corrector	...	...	...	...	COR
Deflection	...	...	...	...	DFN
Degrees	...	...	...	...	DEG
Depression	...	...	...	...	DEP
Distribute	...	...	...	...	DIS
Doubtful	...	...	...	...	QY
Drop or lower	MN
Echelon	ECH

* These signals are for use in co-operation with aircraft.

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A.O. 137	Effective fire	MOK
1917	Elevation	EL
<i>continued.</i>	Far	F
	*Fire	G
	*Fire for effect (or gun fire)	GF
	Fourth charge	...	...	...	...	FOC
	Full charge or fifth	...	...	...	...	FC
	Fuze	...	...	...	...	FZ
	Go on	...	...	...	...	GO
	Graze	...	...	...	...	GZ
	Gun fire	...	...	...	...	GF
	*Guns in position at	...	...	...	...	N
	*Guns firing in position at	...	...	...	...	NF
	*Guns not firing at	...	...	...	...	NT
	*High explosive or Lyddite	...	...	...	...	L
	Infantry	...	...	...	...	FAN
	*Just	...	...	...	...	J
	Left...	...	...	...	...	Q
	Left half battery	...	...	...	...	QH
	Left section	...	...	...	...	QX
	Line	...	...	...	...	LI
	Line of fire	...	...	...	...	LOF
	*Mechanical transport	...	...	...	...	MT
	Minutes	...	...	...	...	MIN
	More left	...	...	...	...	QQ
	More right	...	...	...	...	RR
	Mostly (as in mostly graze) or mean point of impact...	...	...	...	...	M
	Mostly left, to avoid confusion with "wait"	...	...	...	...	QM
	One round	...	...	...	...	ORD
	Over	...	...	...	...	O
	Parallel	...	...	...	...	PAR
	Percussion	...	...	...	...	P
	Probably	...	...	...	...	PB
	Put flag on director	...	...	...	...	PFD
	*Range (target)	...	...	...	...	OK
	Ranging	...	...	...	...	RGN
	Repeat	...	...	...	...	REP
	Right	...	...	...	...	R
	Right half battery	...	...	...	...	RH
	Round	...	...	...	...	RD
	Salvo	...	...	...	...	VO
	Seconds	...	...	...	...	SEC
	Second charge	SC
	Section	X

* These signals are for use in co-operation with aircraft.

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				A.O. 137
				<u>1917</u>
Section fire	XF
*Shoot unobserved or wash out	W
Short	S
Stand by	A
Stop firing	...	...	...	STOP
*Stop firing or wait	...	...	...	MQ
Sub-base	...	...	...	SB
*Switch	...	...	...	SW
Switch	...	...	...	SW
Take flag off director	...	...	...	TFD
Target	...	...	...	TG
Third charge	...	...	...	TC
Time shrapnel	...	...	...	Z
Unload or empty guns	...	...	...	EMT
Unobserved	...	...	...	W "

* These signals are for use in co-operation with aircraft.

Pages 324-330. Delete "Sections 203-206," for which has been substituted S. S. 131, "Co-operation of Aircraft with Artillery."

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W.O. **Musketry Regulations, Part I.**—Addendum A.O. 138.
3684 No. 4, giving the Annual General Musketry Course 1917.
and Musketry Course for Transport Workers' Battalions,
has been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to
all concerned.

This Addendum replaces Appendices I. to IV. of the Musketry Regulations, Part I.

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8367 **Regulations for Army Ordnance Services, A.O. 139.**
Part II., 1914—Amendment.—Paragraph 801, sub- 1917.
para. (3). Delete from "If the enlargement, &c." to
end of sub-paragraph, and substitute—

"The provisional condemning limit for local A.O. 139.
enlargement of all guns and howitzers, 4·5-inch 1917.
and above, is ·02 inch, and for natures below
4·5-inch is ·01 inch."

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Magazines. **Regulations for Magazines and Care of War A.O. 140.**
43 **Materiel, 1913—Amendment.**—Para. 119—after line 5, 1917.
insert—

"Similarly, amatol filled shell, bombs, warheads, &c., or amatol in bulk should not be exposed to the direct rays of the sun, nor should such shell, &c., or amatol in bulk, be subjected, in storage, to a temperature exceeding 80° F. A.C. 140.
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This does not, however, apply to shell or bombs which have been specially filled for use in hot climates. These shell and bombs have a criss cross red ring instead of the usual red ring round the nose, and the packages have two 2-inch red crosses on each end. (The "criss cross red ring" is painted on the shell with the use of a stencil so that the body colour of the shell is left in the form of crosses). It also does not apply to warheads, mines, and depth charges filled since 30th November, 1916."

A.O. 141. Separation Allowance Regulations—Amendments.

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I.—Books of Army Allowance Forms.

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1. *Insert new paragraph—*

A.O. 141.

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146A. Every supply of books must be opened as soon as possible after receipt, and the contents carefully checked with the invoice which will accompany each consignment. If all is found to be in order the invoice will be signed and returned; any discrepancy must immediately be reported to the Controller, Post Office Stores Department, Stamp Section, Somerset House, London, W.C.

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II.—Increased Rates for Children under 14 residing
abroad.

2. It has been decided to increase, with effect from 15th January, 1917, the rates of Separation Allowance payable in Canada, Australia, and New Zealand to wives with children under 14, so as to bring them up to the rates issuable to similar families at home under Army Order 55 of 1917.

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3. The rates payable in South Africa remain unaltered, except for motherless children under 14, who will be entitled to the same rates as those payable at home.

4. The provisions of Army Order 55 of 1917 will apply to all other places abroad (e.g., United States of America) where standard British rates are payable.

5. Steps should at once be taken to furnish Paying Officers abroad with amending authorities on Army Form W 3477 for all cases in which increased rates are payable.

6. Appendix VII of the Separation Allowance Regulations will be amended as shown in the Appendix to this Army Order.

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III.—Miscellaneous.

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7. The following amendments are inserted in order to remove possible ambiguity : they merely express the *continued* present practice, and do not involve any change therein.

(1) Paragraph 74, in line 1, after "child" insert "or step-child."

(2) Paragraph 81, sub-paragraph (iii), in line 1, for "who" substitute "when such wives"; and in line 2 before "enlistment," insert "their husbands".

For the last two sentences of paragraph 81, substitute—

"The increase is issuable only while the payee continues to reside in the London Postal Area ; it ceases on removal therefrom, and is not again issuable in the event of return to London, but—

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(a) Payment may be continued for casual periods of temporary absence, during which the payee maintains the home in London ;

(b) A payment which has ceased on the payee leaving London may be resumed when the payee returns, on production of satisfactory evidence of a continuous *bond fide* payment during the whole period of absence for either rent or storage of furniture in the London Postal Area."

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(3) Paragraph 103, sub-paragraph (iii), in line 2, after "cases" insert—

"if it can be shown that there was good reason for the omission to claim during the soldier's life-time (e.g., that the dependant was in receipt of an allowance from the soldier's employers)".

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(4) Appendix XI, paragraph 9, in line 3, after "will" insert—

"if it can be shown that there was good reason for the omission to claim during the soldier's life time,"

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A.O. 141 8. Paragraph 185, add at end—**1917***continued.***A.O. 141.**

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"except in the case of soldiers in receipt of family allowance at the rate for wife only, in which case the weekly deductions from civil pay will be at the following rates and not at separation allowance rates :—

Soldiers in	Winter months (October to May).	Summer months (June to September).
	s. d.	s. d.
Classes 19 and 20 ...	13 5	12 10
Classes 17 and 18 ...	14 7	14 0
Class 16 ...	18 8	16 11
Class 15 ...	21 7	19 3

A.O. 142. Gun Drill.—18-pr. Q.F. Gun, 1916, Revised **40**
1917. Edition, issued with Army Order 308 of 1916—**W.O.**
 Amendments.—Page 13, lines 14 to 16. For "5. . . . ammunition" substitute—**3735**

A.O. 142. "4, 5 and 6 dismount as soon as the wagon halts, 4 supplies himself with a round of ammunition and with 5 and 6 double to the gun. 5 and 6 place themselves on the left of the gun (or on the right if the wagon has been ordered to drive up on the right). On the arrival of the wagon 5 and 6 immediately unhook and 4 puts on the brake".

Page 15, lines 9 and 10. For "Except when at once" substitute—

A.O. 142. "Guns should be reloaded at once when ranging with percussion, or when an order has been given for a specified number of rounds to be fired. At all other times shell should be prepared for loading but the actual loading should not be carried out. Ammunition will always be prepared for loading but, unless an order has been given for a specified number of rounds to be fired, guns will not be re-loaded until the receipt of the next order".

A.O. 143. Priced Vocabulary of Stores, 1915, Part II.—The **57**
1917. rates for binoculars published in the list of amendments **Vocab.**
 issued with Army Orders, dated 1st March, 1917, do not **7735**
 include the value of cases.

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BOOKS, FORMS, &c.

A.O. 144.
1917.*Military Books.*

1. The following books have been placed on sale :—

	Price. <i>s. d.</i>
Bayonet Training, 1916. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st December, 1916)	0 2
Civil Service Commissioners' Army Entrance Examination, November, 1916 ; Rules, Question Papers and Tables of Marks, 1917	0 6
Field Almanac, 1917	0 1
Field Service Regulations, Part II.—	
Additions and corrections to. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st March, 1917)	0 1
An Addendum for the guidance of Troops operating in France and Belgium. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st January, 1917)	0 1
Gun Drill—	
9·2-inch B.L. "C," Mark IX., Gun on Marks VA. and VB. mountings. Land Service, 1917	0 1
9·2-inch B.L., Mark IX., Gun on Mark IV. mountings. Land Service, 1917	0 1
Musketry Regulations, Part I.—	
Addendum No. 2. Hotchkiss Gun and Lewis Gun Courses. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st December, 1916)	0 1
Addendum No. 3. Instructional Course for the Webley or other Pistol. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st February, 1917)	0 1
Regulations for Magazines and Care of War Matériel, 1913. Amendments. (Issued with Army Orders, dated 1st March, 1917)	0 1

Army Forms approved.

2. The following Army Forms have been approved :—

Army Form B 104-82B, "Record Office Form. Notification of Death (Home, East Africa, &c., *vide* A.C.I. 1817 of 1916)."

Supplies have been distributed to Officers i/c Records.

Army Form G 1096-96, "Schedule to F.E. 2 D Aeroplane."

Supplies have been sent to all concerned.

Army Form O 1794A, "Separation Allowance: Statement of a Soldier's Family" A distribution has been made to Officers i/c Records.

The issue of O 1794 will be suspended during the war.

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A.O. 144 Army Forms W 3195 and W 3236. A slip in regard to men not yet attained 18 years of age has been printed for attachment to these forms.

continued. 1917 Officers Commanding Recruiting Areas, not already in possession of sufficient copies, can obtain supplies by indenting in the usual way.

Army Form W 3553, "Receipt for King's Certificate on Discharge."

Supplies have been distributed to Officers i/c Records.

Mobilization Store Tables.

Army Form G 1098-38K, "A Light Railway Signal Section." Dated January, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-288A, "A Fixed Anti-Aircraft Searchlight Section (2—90-cm. Lights)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-320, "An Ordnance Mobile Workshop (Medium)." Dated January, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-325, "An Aircraft Depôt, Royal Flying Corps." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-327, "Searchlight Company (Home Defence) (9 Lights)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-329, "A Divisional Ammunition Column (France)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-330, "Army Field Artillery Brigade Ammunition Column (France)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Form G 1098-331, "Mechanical Transport Tractor Company, A.S.C. (Egypt)." Dated February, 1917.

Army Forms revised.

3. The following Army Forms have been revised. Previous prints are obsolete and should be wasted :—

Army Form B 104-82, "Record Office Form. Notification of Death (France, &c., *vide* A.C.I. 1817 of 1916)."

Supplies have been distributed to Officers i/c Records.

Army Form W 3090, "Special Instructions relating to Artillery Matériel for observance in time of War."

A distribution has been made to Headquarters of Commands.

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Mobilization Store Tables.

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- Army Form G 1098-109, "A Heavy Artillery Battery and Ammunition Column, R.G.A. (four 60-pr. B.L. Guns)." Dated February, 1917. 1917
continued.
- Army Form G 1098-113, "Headquarters of Divisional Engineers." Dated February, 1917.
- Army Form G 1098-126, "A Motor Ambulance Convoy." Dated February, 1917.
- Army Form G 1098-207, "An Infantry Battalion (Salonika "4")." Dated January, 1917.
- Army Form G 1098-209, "Headquarters of Divisional Engineers (Salonika "4")." Dated January, 1917.
- Army Form G 1098-260, "Headquarters Units—Home Forces." Dated January, 1917.
- Army Form G 1098-281, "A Field Artillery Brigade." Dated February, 1917.
- Army Order G 1098-321, "A Road Construction Company, R.E. (France)." Dated February, 1917.

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- Army Form G 1099-1, "Headquarters of a Mounted Brigade (Territorial Force), Home." Dated December, 1916.
- Army Form G 1099-28, "A Field Ambulance for a Mounted or Cyclist Brigade (Home)." Dated January, 1917.
- Army Form G 1099-29, "A Field Ambulance (4 Stretcher Sections) (Home)." Dated February, 1917.
(This table supersedes Army Forms G 1099-29, dated October, 1916, and G 1099-29A, dated August, 1915.)

Supplies of the above specified Mobilization Store Tables have been distributed to A.Ds.O.S. of Commands and Chief Ordnance Officers concerned.

Appendix "A" to Army Form G 1098-33c, "List of Wireless and Telephone Spares for Aeroplane Squadrons."

A distribution of this Appendix has been made to all concerned.

Army Forms cancelled.

4. The following Army Forms have been cancelled :—

- Army Form F 710, "Regimental Institute ; Memorandum of Agreement."
- Army Form W 3133, "Notification by Regimental Paymaster or Secretary, Territorial Force Association, of first issue of Allotment of Pay for Recruit."

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- 1917 Army Form G 1098-36, "A Railway Company (Construction) (8th and 10th Railway Companies, R.E.)."
continued. Dated July, 1915.
 Army Form G 1098-38c, "A Motor Wireless Section."
 Dated July, 1915.
 Army Form G 1099-12, "A Small Arm Section Ammunition Column, Territorial Force. (1st Line (Home) and 2nd Line Units. Dated November, 1915.

**LIST OF CHANGES IN WAR MATÉRIEL, &c.,
AND AMENDMENTS TO THE PRICED
VOCABULARIES OF CLOTHING AND OF
STORES, PART I.**

A list of changes in war matériel and patterns of military stores which have been approved and sealed, with instructions relating thereto, is issued herewith to all concerned.

Lists of amended and additional rates for the Priced Vocabularys of Clothing and of Stores, Part I., have been approved, and copies will be issued to all concerned.

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VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENTS.

Counties, &c., are arranged in alphabetical order.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
50	Bedford	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
162	Cheshire	" ...	
164	"	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
75	Durham	Men's ...	County Association.
115	Glamorgan	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
49	London, County of ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
43	Middlesex	" ...	St. John Ambulance Association.
3	Northumberland	" ...	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
29	Stafford	" ...	British Red Cross Society.

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AMENDMENTS TO APPENDIX VII OF THE
SEPARATION ALLOWANCE REGULATIONS,
1916.

For TABLE 1 substitute—

TABLE 1. AUSTRALIA.

The rates *in italics* are increased rates issuable from
15th January, 1917.

Where there are no children over 14.	Class.				
	20.	19.	18 & 17.	16.	15.
For wife only ...	9 11	9 11	11 8	16 11	18 1
For wife + 1 child ...	16 0	16 2	16 8	21 11	23 1
For wife + 2 children	21 0	21 2	21 2	25 5	26 7
For wife + 3 children	24 6	24 8	24 8	27 5	28 7
For wife + 4 children	27 6	27 8	27 8	29 5	30 7
For wife + 5 children	30 6	30 8	30 8	31 5	32 7
For wife + 6 children	33 6	33 8	33 8	33 8	34 7
For wife + 7 children	36 6	36 8	36 8	36 8	36 8

For children over 14 (other than motherless children).

Where there are no children under 14 :—

5s. for 1 child, 8s. 6d. for 2 children, and 2s. for each additional child over 14.

Where there is one child under 14 :—

3s. 6d. for 1 child, and 2s. for each additional child over 14.

Where there are two or more children under 14 :—

2s. for each child over 14.

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For motherless children.

Under 14.—For any child living singly, 7s. Where two or more children of the same family live together, 7s. for the first and 6s. for each other child.

Over 14.—For each child, 5s.

For TABLE 2 substitute—

TABLE 2. CANADA.

The rates *in italics* are increased rates issuable from 15th January, 1917.

Where there are no children over 14.	Class.				
	20.	19.	18 & 17.	16.	15.
For wife only	11 1	11 1	12 10	18 1	19 3
For wife + 1 child ...	16 0	16 2	16 11	22 2	23 4
For wife + 2 children	21 0	21 2	21 2	26 3	27 5
For wife + 3 children	24 6	24 8	25 1	30 4	31 6
For wife + 4 children	27 6	27 8	28 0	33 3	34 5
For wife + 5 children	30 6	30 8	30 11	36 2	37 4
For wife + 6 children	33 6	33 8	33 10	39 1	40 3
For wife + 7 children	36 6	36 8	36 9	42 0	43 2

For children over 14 (other than motherless children).

Where there are less than two children under 14 :—

Class 20.—3s. 6d. for each child over 14.

Classes 19–15.—4s. 1d. for each child over 14.

Where there are two children under 14 :—

Class 20.—3s. 6d. for 1 child, and 2s. 11d. for each additional child over 14.

Classes 19–15.—4s. 1d. for 1 child, and 2s. 11d. for each additional child over 14.

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Where there are three or more children under 14:—

All classes.—2s. 11d. for each child over 14.

For motherless children.

As under Table 1.

In TABLE 3, under "*Motherless children*," in the last line for "onwards" substitute "to 14.1.17," and add "15.1.17 onwards—Under 14—As under Table 1.

Over 14—For each child, 5s. 3d."

For TABLE 4 *substitute*—

TABLE 4. NEW ZEALAND.

The rates *in italics* are increased rates issuable from 15th January, 1917.

Where there are no children over 14.	Class.				
	20.	19.	18 & 17	16.	15.
For wife only	9 4	9 4	11 1	16 4	17 6
For wife + 1 child ...	16 0	16 2	16 2	21 4	22 6
For wife + 2 children	21 0	21 2	21 2	24 10	26 0
For wife + 3 children	24 6	24 8	24 8	26 10	28 0
For wife + 4 children	27 6	27 8	27 8	28 10	30 0
For wife + 5 children	30 6	30 8	30 8	30 10	32 0
For wife + 6 children	33 6	33 8	33 8	33 8	34 0
For wife + 7 children	36 6	36 8	36 8	36 8	36 8

For children over 14 (other than motherless children).—As under Table 1.

For motherless children.—As under Table 1.

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